

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yukuo KATAYAMA

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of  
PCT/JP04/010207

Filed: January 18, 2006

Docket No.: 126599

For: METHOD FOR DEWATERING WATER-CONTAINING COAL

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**